2021 Master Gardener's Online Garden Series

"Dedicated to Robert Mongin"



February 2, March 2, & April 6 6:00-7:30 PM *** Online Via Zoom Each session is a 1 hour lecture, followed by 1/2 hour Q&A



Cost: \$10 per person, per session (\$30 for full series)

February 2nd—"Design Your Food Growing System with Permaculture" with Dan Halsey

Ecological design is the practice of following nature's momentum and building natural resources for a better harvest and ecology. For generations people had to work within the bounds of their climate and extreme weather. Having lost many of the old practices of our great and great-great ancestors, simple understanding of plant physiology can bring back forgotten skills.

Daniel Halsey is a certified permaculture and professional agro-ecosystems designer. Daniel has a Bachelor of Science degree in Temperate Climate Polyculture Design and a Master of Professional Studies in Horticulture from the University of Minnesota. He is hired nationally and internationally to design private homesteads, intentional communities, and broad-acre restoration and economic development systems. He teaches in Haiti, Lebanon (Beirut), Nepal, Senegal, South Africa, Costa Rica, Canada, across the United States, and the United Kingdom. Dan is the founder of United Designers, a global ecological design cooperative, the managing director of Permaculture Research Institute/USA and principal partner of the Natural Capital Plant Database. Dan is the co-author and contributing author for three books on sustainability. www.SouthWoodsCenter.com

March 2nd—"Springtime Walk in the Woods, From Skunk Cabbage to Trillium" with Rob Zimmer

Rob Zimmer will be guiding us on a walk through the woods, identifying spring ephemeral and wild flowers, and discussing how they can best be used in our gardens. Rob is an award-winning nature and garden author, columnist, photographer and radio host who has written for many daily newspapers throughout Wisconsin such as the Appleton Post-Crescent, Green Bay Press-Gazette, and Wisconsin State Farmer.

He is also the author of the books 'Voices of the Wind: Four Seasons in Wild Wisconsin,' 'Wild Seasons: The Beauty of Native Wildflowers,' 'Shadows and Light: Showcasing a Hosta Love Affair',' Reflecting: Nature in Black and White,' 'Hostadance,' 'Don't Forget Where You Belong', 'Niagara,' 'Horicon,' 'Wild Orchid,' 'Spirit Cold,' 'Monarch,' 'Wild Heart,' 'Awakening Angel,' 'Thunder Orchid,' 'Waterfowl,' 'White Light,' 'Song of Ancients' and several children's books.

His features and photographs have also appeared in a number of magazines, including Wisconsin Gardening, Wisconsin Sportsman, Michigan Out-of-Doors, Wisconsin Natural Resources, Bird Watcher's Digest, Birders World, Wildlife Conservation, Country Journal and Camping Today. Outdoors with Rob Zimmer can be heard on WHBY 1150AM or 103.5FM on Fridays at 4:00pm and Saturdays at 10:00 AM. https://www.facebook.com/RobZimmerOutdoors

April 6th—"Integrating Herbs Into Your Garden and Benefits" with T. Heather Herdman, PhD, RN

T. Heather Herdman will be discussing integrating culinary and medicinal herbs into a landscape, and the benefits of these plants in our gardens and our lives. We will walk through planning considerations, growing needs, harvesting requirements, and some uses of these herbs for health promotion.

T. Heather Herdman has a background in nursing (IB.S.N. in nursing from University of South Carolina, and a M.S. and Ph.D. in nursing science from Boston College), enables her to combine Western health care knowledge with traditional and contemporary herbalism, to create a holistic view of health and wellness. Her passions include supporting others to learn to integrate herbs into their daily lives by preparing meals that incorporate these wellness "powerhouses." Providing the most evidence-based information possible to her clients enables them to take control of their own health and well-being, and to make decisions that meet their personal needs and values. herbalist@sweetwillowwellness.com





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Registration required by the Sunday before each session. Questions? Call 920-391-4654 or email extension@browncountywi.gov